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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 11, relative to the state election commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-11-103 (a), is amended by deleting the word and figure "Three (3)" and substituting the word and figure "Two (2)". Section 2-11-103 (a), is further amended by adding the following new sentence:

One (1) member of the commission shall be selected by the other members of the commission and shall not be representative of a political party.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-11-103 (b), is amended by deleting the words "Each member" and substituting the words "Each member representing a political party".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-11-104 (b), is amended by adding after the words "state election commission", the words "representing political parties".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-11-104 (c), is amended by adding after the word "Elections" the words "for members of the commission representing political parties".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-11-104, is amended by redesignating subsection (b) to be subdivision (b)(1) and by adding a new subdivision, as follows:

(b) (2) The election of the fifth member of the commission shall be by a majority vote of the members of the commission elected by the general assembly.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-11-104, is amended by redesignating subsection (c) to be subdivision (c)(1), and by adding a new subdivision, as follows:

(c) (2) The election of the fifth member of the commission shall be held at the first meeting of the commission following the election of those members elected by the general assembly.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to the first election of members of the state election commission occurring after that date.